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INSIGNIA FOR US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS AND  
REGIMENTAL DISTINCTIVE UNIT INSIGNIA FOR  
THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS

1. Purpose. This regulation prescribes the policy concerning the wear of the US Army Corps of Engineers distinctive unit insignia (DUI) and shoulder sleeve insignia (SSI), and the regimental distinctive unit insignia (RDUI) for members of the Corps of Engineers regiment.
2. Applicability. This regulation applies to all military personnel, including individual mobilization designees, assigned to the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).
3. Reference. AR 670-1, Wear and Appearance of Army Uniforms and Insignia.
4. Authorization. The Institute of Heraldry, US Army, approved the DUI and the SSI for USACE, and the RDUI for the Corps of Engineers. Illustrations and descriptions are contained in Appendixes A through C. (DUI: letter, DAAG-HDC, 24 Jul 80, subject: Distinctive Unit Insignia for the USACE. SSI: letter, DAAG-HDP-A, 31 Oct 77, subject: Shoulder Sleeve Insignia for US Army Engineers Field Support Activities, and letter, DAAG-HDP-A, 31 Oct 77, subject: Shoulder Sleeve Insignia for US Army Engineers Divisions and Districts, both later amended by letter, DAAG-HDP-A, 11 Jul 79, subject: Heraldic Entitlements for USACE. RDUI: letter, DAAG-HDP-A, 11 Apr 86, subject: Distinctive Unit Insignia for the Corps of Engineers.)
5. Wear of Insignia. DUI, SSI, and RDUI will be worn as prescribed in AR 670-1. The DUI is made in pairs so that when worn on the shoulder loops of the uniform coat each eagle will face forward and when worn on the garrison cap (enlisted personnel) the eagle will face forward, and on the Army black pullover sweater, the eagle will face its own right with the castle tower divided vertically with scarlet at the viewer's left and white at the viewer's right. Members of the Army staff are authorized to wear the RDUI on the black pullover sweater.

FOR THE COMMANDER:



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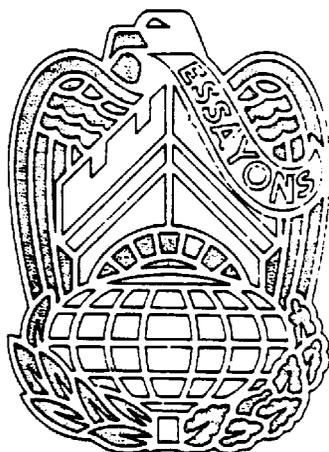
3 Appendixes  
APP A-DUI  
APP B-SSI  
APP C-RDUI

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This regulation supersedes ER 670-3-1, 1 April 1984

APPENDIX A

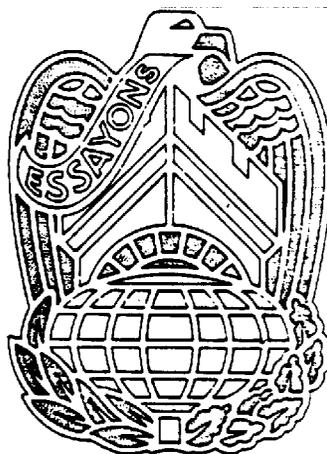
US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
Distinctive Unit Insignia



FOR LEFT SHOULDER WEAR, CAP AND SWEATER

DESCRIPTION

A gold color metal and enamel device 1 3/16 inches in height overall consisting of a gold eagle with wings inverted, looking to his right and holding in his beak a blue scroll draped in front of his left wing and inscribed with the word "ESSAYONS" in gold. Centered below the eagle is an homolographic projection of the globe in blue with gold grid-lines enclosed below by gold branches of olive and oak at viewer's left and right respectively and bound at center with a scarlet tie; above the globe is a gold rising sun in front of a castle tower divided in half vertically with scarlet at viewer's left and white at right.



FOR RIGHT SHOULDER WEAR

DESCRIPTION

A gold color metal and enamel device 1 3/16 inches in height overall consisting of a gold eagle with wings inverted, looking to his left and holding in his beak a blue scroll draped in front of his right wing and inscribed with the word "ESSAYONS" in gold. Centered below the eagle is an homolographic projection of the globe in blue with gold grid-lines enclosed below by gold branches of olive and oak at viewer's left and right respectively and bound at center with a scarlet tie; above the globe is a gold rising sun in front of a castle tower divided in half vertically with white at viewer's left and scarlet at right.

SYMBOLISM

The eagle, our national symbol, stands behind the scarlet and white tower representing the Corps of Engineers and its construction mission. The worldwide scope of the Corps' mission and its service to the Nation in the past, present and future are suggested by the sun symbol and globe. The olive branch connotes the peaceful nature of the Corps' mission and the oak stands for fortitude. Also, the branches symbolize the Corps' concern for the environment. The Corps' historic motto, "ESSAYONS," in French meaning "Let Us Try," is held in the eagle's beak.

APPENDIX B

US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
Shoulder Sleeve Insignia



DESCRIPTION

A square 2 1/4 inches in width placed point up, having within a 1/8 inch white border a background divided in half vertically with white on the left and scarlet on the right bearing a castle tower throughout divided in half with scarlet on the left and white on the right and centered thereon an opened dividers above a gridlined globe, both divided in half with white on the left and scarlet on the right.

SYMBOLISM

The globe refers to the activities of the Corps of Engineers both in continental United States and overseas. The dividers are symbolic of design and planning and the tower signifies the construction mission. Scarlet and white are the colors traditionally associated with the Corps of Engineers.

APPENDIX C

REGIMENTAL DISTINCTIVE UNIT INSIGNIA

CORPS OF ENGINEERS



DESCRIPTION

A silver color metal and enamel device 1 1/16 inches in height consisting of a scarlet shield with silver border and gold castle at center, and attached below a scarlet scroll inscribed "ESSAYONS" in silver.

SYMBOLISM

Scarlet and white are the colors of the Corps of Engineers. The castle and the motto "ESSAYONS," in French meaning "Let Us Try," traditionally have been associated with the Corps.